

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held October 14, 2003, the Board took the following action:

3 Supervisor Burke made the following statement:

"Four million Americans, including 600,000 Californians and 180,000 people in Los Angeles County have Hepatitis C. This life threatening liver disease can lead to cirrhosis, end-stage liver disease and liver cancer. Each year, 10,000 Americans die from Hepatitis C. Without more effective prevention and therapeutic measures, deaths attributable to the virus are projected to triple in the next 10 to 20 years.

"The Hepatitis C Task Force for Los Angeles County, a group of private and public agencies, advocates and concerned individuals working in collaboration to prevent the spread of Hepatitis C, and improve the quality of life for people living with hepatitis, are presenting a Hepatitis C Summit to bring life saving information to help stop the devastating impact of Hepatitis C on our community."

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried (Supervisor Yaroslavsky being absent), the Board proclaimed October 13 through October 17, 2003 as "National Hepatitis Awareness Week," and commended the Hepatitis C Task Force members for working together to advocate for people at risk or facing the challenge of living with Hepatitis C.

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